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USE OF POLYMERS COMPRISING THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS AS FILTER AIDS
AND/OR STABILIZERS

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Honorable Sir:

This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is in response to the Final Office Action of 17 May 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.